

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln No.: 10/531,513)	Confirmation No. 9097
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Applicant(s): Theodor Gerhard Rosch)	
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Title: Method of Feeding A Suture Element)	I hereby certify this Amendment and
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Art Unit: 3773)	March 18, 2009.
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Examiner: Jing Rui OU)	
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time in the above-identified application to make this reply timely.

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 18, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and arguments:

Amendments to the Specification are indicated on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

APPENDIX: two sheets of drawings including Figures A and B.